

LIFE GUARD IS BUSY AT DUXBURY BEACH

Boston College student, Linda Wahle, 19, has saved several people so far at Duxbury Beach. Linda and lifeguard Gary Anderson, son of School Superintendent Lawrence Anderson, cover the half-mile stretch of beach.

Linda, as the sole lifeguard last year, worked 7 days a week. She was responsible for saving 4 people in 4 minutes when the sudden riptides came last August.

Linda said the selectmen' were responsible for getting the lifeguard a raise, hiring a second one and getting them a day off. "But," she said, "it's a dangerous beach; there's a sand bar that people go out to -- when the tide comes in it is over their heads. It's easy to get a cramp that water is so cold."

In addition to 2 lifeguards, the town has a beach patrol and 2 4-wheel drive vehicles.